

Amendments to the Specification:

Please amend the paragraphs starting at page 1, line 4 and ending at page 1, line 17 to read, as follows.

The present invention relates to a developing apparatus employed by an electrophotographic or electrostatic image forming apparatus, a process cartridge removably mountable in the main assembly of an image forming apparatus, and the like. Here, an electrophotographic image forming apparatus means a printer, a facsimile ~~facsimile~~ machine, a copying machine, etc.

A developing apparatus which uses a nonmagnetic single-component developer to develop an electrostatic latent image into a visible image has been realized. Figure 14 is a schematic sectional view of a typical developing apparatus in accordance with the prior art which uses a nonmagnetic single-component developer.